

## SCHOOL MATTERS

Commissioners of Education in Weekly Session.

VACATION BEGINS ON JUNE 25TH

C. D. Pringle Appointed to Kahuku School.

Miss Needham Granted Leave of Absence—New School to Be Built at Ewa.

At the regular weekly session of the Commissioners of Education, yesterday afternoon, there were present the following: President Cooper, Mrs. B. F. Dillingham, Mrs. E. A. Jordan, Professor Alexander, J. F. Scott, W. A. Bowen and H. M. Von Holt. Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Mr. Scott reported on the condition of affairs at Kaakopua School in regard to regulations, correcting the very bad lighting. The orders of the Commissioners respecting blinds, had been carried out.

Miss Ella Paris was made school agent of South Kona.

It was decided to make the closing day of the present term Friday, June 25th, and the opening of the fall term, September 6th.

Mr. Scott reported that Miss Peterson, of the Kaalawela School, was very sick, and would be unable to attend to her duties for the remainder of the term. The Board appointed Miss Cameron as a substitute in the place of Miss Peterson.

Mr. Scott spoke in regard to the time of certificates granted by the Normal School. He and Messrs. Townsend and Dumas had talked over the matter, and had come to the conclusion that three years should be the time, this being the same as the first-class primary certificates. The recommendation was adopted.

President Cooper reported that Mr. Richards, of Kamehameha, had called upon him and asked what standard would be placed upon certificates from that institution by the Board. President Cooper said that he thought that if the studies and examinations were practically the same as those in the Normal School, there was no reason why the Kamehameha Normal graduates should not be allowed the same privileges. Mr. Richards had asked that the boys be granted certificates without the regular examination required of people proposing to make teachers of themselves.

President Cooper then referred to a call he had had from Mr. Hosmer of Oahu College. The latter had assured him that the Normal graduates of that institution would present themselves for examination along with others wishing to obtain teachers' positions.

The members of the Board seemed to favor this course on the part of the Punahou graduates.

After further discussion on the matter the Commissioners decided to let the Deputy Inspector look into the matter and see just what studies and examinations the Kamehameha boys were in the habit of taking.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the understanding with Miss Laura Kiowa in regard to leave of absence, be continued.

A petition from Miss Needham, asking for a six-months' leave of absence, was read. Miss Needham has been in ill-health for quite a while, and petitioned the Commissioners on the recommendation of her physician. It was decided to grant the leave of absence of six months, dating from September 6th, the time of opening of her school year's work.

On the recommendation of Miss Needham, Mrs. A. H. Turner was appointed to fill the place temporarily. A communication from a carpenter, whose two boys are in Professor Scott's School, was read. The writer informed the Commissioners that he was too poor to pay for his children's tuition, and that he was already several weeks in arrears.

Two or three members said that they were acquainted with the man, and knew him to be a very worthy person. The two boys were bright young fellows, anxious to learn and with every prospect of a successful future before them.

The Commissioners decided to grant scholarships to the children for the remainder of the school year, on the motion of Professor Scott, and that the amount due for past tuition be remitted.

After this had passed the Deputy Inspector was instructed to look into the matter and in case the representations were found to be as stated, to grant the scholarships.

A communication from H. E. Wilson of Puna was to the effect that a transient officer was very much needed in that district. The children were not attending school. Many of the parents were keeping them at home to pound poi, because they were too lazy to do so themselves. Taking the matter into the courts would only cause hard feelings, and after speaking to Captain Elders about the matter, it had been decided that the best course to pursue would be the appointment of a transient officer. The secretary was instructed to write to Captain Elders, with a view to getting his recommendation.

A letter from Mrs. R. E. Burns asked that her sister, Miss Esther Pomeroy, be appointed to the position of teacher in the new school, to be established near Hilo.

President Cooper started to read a communication, which had been received through Attorney General Smith, but it was found that the wrong communication had been sent. The Commissioners decided to offer to C. D. Pringle the position in the

Kahuku School, the rate to be fixed by the classification.

An original composition on "The Eagle," written by a native who had been a teacher for 14 years, was read by President Cooper. Originality was present in every line. Everything else was absent. In reading the composition, he came to the line: "God made all birds but the eagle," and then after a short pause, during which there were many gasps, indicated a comma and finished the line with "king."

Mr. Scott stated that he had received an invitation from Manager Ahrens to visit the new Ewa plantation, with a view to selecting a site for a school building and grounds. Mr. Ahrens seemed anxious that the site be selected while the little settlement is being built.

The Commissioners authorized the Deputy Inspector to choose the site, and the meeting then adjourned.

## FOR GOOD SHOWS.

Hawaiian Amusement Co. Takes Fresh Start.

The Hawaiian Amusement Company got down to business yesterday and it looks now as though arrangements will be made to bring first-class attractions to Honolulu under its auspices.

The company has had a guarantee fund of \$1,000 on deposit in a local bank for some time past, but at the meeting yesterday this sum was deemed insufficient for the purpose and it was voted to increase the amount to \$5,000. This will be done by increasing the membership.

The matter of offering a guarantee to Nat Goodwin was freely discussed and it was decided to notify him by the Belief which will be done. One of the members stated that efforts should be made to bring a first-class company here before September. "It is very nice to know that the Frawley's are to visit Honolulu once a year, but I do not think the theatre going public should be limited to that one engagement. The people will patronize any first-class show but they will turn their backs on a poor one. This has been demonstrated over and over again. From the support given good attractions it is reasonable to suppose that one or two companies could come here before the Frawley's arrive without interfering with the business of the latter company. There seemed to be a disposition on the part of some people to have the Frawley's get everything in sight and take an L. O. U. for anything that might turn up afterward. This is not right toward the masses, and should not be encouraged."

Another of the stockholders, who is taking a lively interest in the affairs of the company, called at the Advertiser office last night to correct a statement in the issue of the Star.

"There was nothing said about a letter having been received from Mr. Goodwin, in which he demands a guarantee of \$6,000 for a two weeks' engagement. Mr. Goodwin is too much of a business man to make such a request of a community the size of Honolulu. He has not mentioned the amount of the guarantee in his letters to either Mr. Macfarlane or Mr. Scott, consequently, it was not mentioned at the meeting. Such statements by a newspaper tends to influence the people against bringing Mr. Goodwin and his company to Honolulu. I know this is true, for a gentleman expressed himself so to me this evening. Why it should have been so stated in the Star, when one of the reporters attended the meeting and heard everything that was said, is beyond me."

It was decided to place the affairs of the amusement company in the hands of an executive committee, consisting of E. C. Macfarlane, F. M. Swamy, H. M. von Holt, J. F. Brown and Robert Scott, the latter to act as manager.

## PRESS WILL ENTERTAIN.

The Visiting Members of the Japan Press.

The members of the entire press of Honolulu have tendered a banquet to the representatives of the Japanese press, who came here by the Japanese warship Naniwa last week. It will take place at the Hawaiian Hotel on Saturday evening. This is the first time the newspaper men have organized to extend courtesies to their foreign colleagues, and the affair promises to be on rather a grand scale.

Mrs. George C. Beckley has kindly loaned the "Helene" flag, and T. B. Murray the famous American flag of the league, to be used in decorating the rooms. British, Portuguese, Chinese and Japanese flags have been furnished by Captain Kurooka of the Naniwa. Wray Taylor, Acting Commissioner of Agriculture, volunteers the loan of a number of potted palms for the same purpose.

Arrangements had been made with Theodore Hoffman, of the Hawaiian Electric Company, for illuminating the old band stand at the hotel for the use of the Government Band, but Minister Cooper declined to allow the musicians to attend, the press being considered in the light of private individuals, and the long-established rule forbidding the use of the bands at private functions could not be broken, even when every newspaper in Honolulu was included in the request. The committee will arrange to have the Royal Hawaiian Band or the National Quintet Club, whichever is available.

Alatau T. Atkinson, of the Star, will act as toast-master, and besides the visitors, there will be responses by representatives of the Hawaiian, English, Portuguese, Japanese and Chinese newspapers in this city.

## Circuit Court News.

The Boyd vs. Gandall suit for breach of promise was on all day yesterday before Judge Perry.

Judge Carter heard the case of Kaaoi vs. G. K. Kaloipania et al. for ejectment, yesterday.

Henry Adams was granted an absolute divorce from his wife, Lucy Adams, by Judge Carter yesterday.

The jury granted E. C. Winston judgment for \$3,279.20, without interest, in his suit against the Hawaiian

Pork and Packing Company. The counsel for defendant noted an exception, and gave notice that he would make a motion for a new trial.

Ernest A. Mott-Smith has been appointed administrator of the estate of John H. Paly, valued at \$2,000.

W. J. Coelho has filed a motion for a new trial, partly on the ground that the verdict was contrary to the law and evidence and partly because of the sworn affidavit of J. W. Keola Kelki, one of the 12 jurors by whom the case was tried, that he had never taken the oath of allegiance, either to the Provisional Government or to the Republic of Hawaii, and for this reason was disqualified from serving on the jury.

E. C. Winston has filed a bill of costs, amounting to \$111.45, in his case against the Hawaiian Pork and Packing Company.

A petition has been filed for the appointment of William O. Smith as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Lois S. Johnson.

Mrs. Lilia Hanala has filed a petition to be discharged as administratrix of the estate of the late S. N. P. Hanala.

The Boyd-Gandall breach-of-promise case was still before Judge Perry yesterday.

Judge Carter heard more of the Kaaoi vs. G. K. Kaloipania et al. suit for ejectment yesterday.

S. Benjamin Kamehale, has filed his final accounts as administrator of the estate of J. P. Kula and asks to be discharged.

Moses Aolona has withdrawn his petition to be appointed administrator of the estate of Aolona.

Rosie Hopkins has withdrawn her petition for divorce from Edward Hopkins. The Arayal vs. Arayal case has also been discontinued by stipulation.

A. C. Pestona has petitioned to be appointed guardian of Antonio Galaspo et al. minors.

It has been stipulated that the question of liability of certain legacies under the will of the late John Mott-Smith be submitted in briefs to be filed before Judge Carter.

## AFFAIRS IN KONA

Japanese and Portuguese Cultivating Coffee.

Hawaiians Receive Chief Benefit of Government Road Appropriation.

KONA, Hawaii, May 10.—The interest in coffee is still on the increase. A great many Japanese are leasing small holdings for about 15 years at from \$1 to \$5 an acre, yearly, according to quality and location of land. The Hawaiians are taking quite an interest in coffee, but the Japanese and Portuguese are rather more enthusiastic.

These two nationalities are very economical and industrious. Most of these people were brought to Hawaii as contract laborers, but now many of them have comfortable little homes. With the influence of the church and the splendid free schools, the Portuguese will soon become valuable citizens. Their children have learned to speak English at the schools and the parents are learning it from the children. They are all Catholics, and Father Victor is kept busy looking after their spiritual welfare. They have large families, and marry very young, so that weddings are quite frequent. A Sunday wedding is a common event, as well as a great event. They go to the church early, accompanied by friends and neighbors, all on horseback. Those who have no horses, hire from the Japanese and Hawaiians. This long train returns from church to the home of the bride, and the invited ones remain for an open-air dinner. Fine clothes and an excellent horse is considered the highest point of fashion among the Kona Portuguese. During the week fine clothes and fast, well-mounted horses are made fun of. The food of the Portuguese is bread, cornmeal and meat, or salt fish; that of the Japanese and Chinese, rice; while the Hawaiians keep to the poi and raw fish.

The Japanese do not try, like the Portuguese, to rise socially. There is no ceremony over a wedding like the Portuguese. In fact, it is hard to tell who of them are married. While they are of a social nature, being fond of games, their principal desire seems to be to live economically and save money. They are not addicted to opium, like the Chinese, but they rather like strong drink, though seldom indulging to excess.

The Chinese marry Hawaiian women, and they are kind husbands and very affectionate fathers. These peaceful, industrious people are the business men of Kona, and of all Hawaii outside of Honolulu and Hilo. All of the restaurants of Kona are managed by them. Though their daily food is rice, they know well how to make a big feast of roast pig, chicken, fish and fruit, when they have a wedding or other great occasion.

The happiest people in Kona, and perhaps of the earth are the Hawaiians. And why should they not be happy? They are a strong, healthy race, living in a delightful climate, in simple but comfortable homes, possessing plenty of land, which they lease to the Japanese or Portuguese, reserving enough for taro. Hundreds of the Hawaiians have small kuleanas which they are beginning to cultivate for taro and coffee. The influence of other nationalities and the good roads are making them more active in this respect. None are in want or hard up. The \$30,000 the Government is spending in the construction of roads, goes mostly to the Hawaiians. These excellent roads improve their lands, and by working in

the construction of the roads they get the most of the \$30,000; because, on account of the close competition of the contractors nearly all the money goes to the laborer. All the young Hawaiians speak English fluently. This is one of the greatest blessings the native enjoys. Through the English language he gets modern ideas, and becomes more ambitious, feeling that he can even enter the learned professions, or rise to any position on the islands.

The splendid roads which are being constructed in Kona, the delightful climate, the energy of the Government in encouraging the growth of coffee, and the success of coffee since the ladybug was introduced have caused a boom in coffee lands. A great deal of land has already been leased. All of this will be in a flourishing condition in a year or two.

While there are a few large plantations, such as Dr. McWayne's, Mr. Scott's and the Hawaiian company's, managed by Mr. Waite, most of the plantations are small, say, from five to 10 acres. At the present rate of prosperity, there will be a large, prosperous population in Kona within five years.

The Government made a wise selection in the appointment of Mr. Sungst as postmaster, as he is the successful manager of the telephone, and his place is central.

There is such a demand for lumber here that Messrs. Cockburn & Lindsay have chartered the Eva, of Seattle, and ordered a cargo of lumber direct. This firm has opened a branch store on the Hualaloa road.

Mr. Cooper has put up a building for a store, and ordered a stock of groceries and hardware. There are now four stores within two miles, making Hualaloa quite a village. X. Y. Z.

## "Dissens Hogs."

MR. EDITOR:—Will you kindly give me an opportunity of stating that I sold all my shares in the Hawaiian Pork Packing Company, so long ago as August, last year; since which date I have never had any interest in the company.

The suit of Winston vs. The Hawaiian Pork Packing Company was instituted to recover the price of a shipment of hogs sold by me to the company.

The remarks in yesterday morning's paper, headed "Dissens Hogs," have led many people to believe that I am either a large shareholder or a salaried officer of the company. I am neither. E. C. WINSTON.

## Warm Weather Needs.

The present periodical heated term is such as warrants greater expenditure of ice or more economy by the use of a Gurney cleanable refrigerator. This make is recommended by the persons who use it even more heartily than the manufacturers. W. W. Dimond, agent for the Gurney cleanable, recently sold a handsomely finished one to the proprietor of a Honolulu restaurant for \$180. He has others at \$20 that are just as economical of ice and with all the interior fixings. The Gurney cleanable is an improvement on the ordinary Gurney.

## Negotiations Begin.

Minister of Foreign Affairs Cooper has been officially notified of the presence of Commissioner Akiyama, and the desire of the Japanese Government to investigate the recent refusal of this Government to allow several hundred Japanese to land at Honolulu. So far Minister Cooper has merely been notified regarding the presence of the officials, and the possession of certain papers bearing on the case.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

The officers and others in quarantine at Maui were allowed to come on shore yesterday.

The three cups won by the Myrtle Boat Club in last year's races at Pearl City have been ordered.

E. R. Stackable has been appointed regimental quartermaster sergeant, vice Fred Smith, resigned.

There is a rumor afloat about town that Captain Fitzgerald will go to Hilo as Port Surveyor and Pilot combined.

Judge Day, who has been appointed First Assistant Secretary of State by President McKinley is a nephew of Col. Z. S. Spaulding.

A. Leibenroth, having recovered his health, has resumed his duties as advertising solicitor on the Pacific Commercial Advertiser and Gazette.

A whip is a good thing, but "money makes the mare go." A dissertation on young men in the Hawaiian Hardware Company's advertising space today.

The Chinese conspiracy case which has been postponed from time to time for the past month was again postponed yesterday until Thursday, May 20th.

British Commissioner A. G. S. Hawes returned from Kauai on the steamer Kauai yesterday. Other passengers were: F. Gay and wife, Miss M. Hart and C. Gay.

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Queen's Jubilee celebration was held in the Hawaiian Hotel last evening for the purpose of discussing ways and means.

Read the local testimonial to E. O. Hall & Son on the merits of the Perkins windmill, if you have any doubts about the kind of mill you are going to erect this summer.

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Henry Vida, of the Custom House, went to Kakaako butts yesterday morning and succeeded in making a score of 47. After making three 4s he set out for seven bull's-eyes.

News was received by the last steamer from the Coast to the effect that Walter Austin, who was here several months ago, broke his leg near the ankle, while at gymnasium practice.

Superintendent of Public Works W. E. Rowell will leave for Hilo on the

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It is probable that Deputy Attorney-General Dole will go to Molokai today to examine the evidence in the case of the murder of the Chinese by Noah and others a short time ago. The Deputy Marshal may accompany him.

The Japanese merchants will tender a banquet to the captain and officers of the Naniwa at the Hawaiian Hotel this evening. It will be held in the large lanai. Covers will be laid for 46. The Government Band will play for the occasion.

S. F. Chillingworth came down on the Mauna Loa yesterday for the purpose of conferring with attorney Neumann on the recent murder case of the Japanese at Spreckelsville plantation. Mr. Chillingworth represents the defense.

The police are out after the dogs again, and many a cur, good, bad, or indifferent, was rounded up in the dog pound yesterday. Killona, who has been assigned to the work of driving the dog wagon, was bitten by a vicious animal yesterday morning.

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